

New Parent Advisory Committee Convened

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Superintendent June Atkinson has convened a **State Superintendent's Parent Advisory Committee**.

The committee is an example of the Superintendent's commitment to increase meaningful family involvement in all public schools from Pre-K through high school graduation. The committee consists of parents, community volunteer representatives, leaders in business community, educational partnership organizations, and designated DPI Education Consultants from across the state. The committee is empowered to effectively advise the State Superintendent by identifying, examining, and commenting upon issues important to parent involvement as well as improving educational outcomes, results and success for all NC public school students.



Superintendent Atkinson works with DPI's Information, Marketing and Publications Production Section Chief, Frank Pore while OSR's Family Involvement Consultant, Sheila Bazemore looks on.

Additionally, DPI Education Consultants, who have parent involvement initiatives and program components as apart of their supportive educational services, will be forming a state level **Parent Involvement Steering Committee**. Programs to be involved include NCLB, OSR, Compensatory Education, Closing the Achievement Gap, Exceptional Children Assistance Center (the state's Parent Involvement Resource Center -PIRC), and Title I services. OSR and Compensatory Education staff will provide leadership and oversight for this statewide effort.

Information, direction, services, and technical assistance are now available to support local OSR preschool classrooms in Family Involvement. Contact Sheila Bazemore at **919-431-1691** or **sheila.bazemore@ncmail.net**